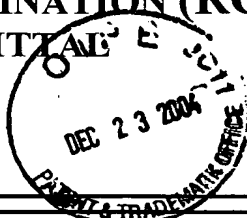


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| Filing Date | February 17, 2004 |
| First Named Inventor | Syuji Okamoto |
| Art Unit | 1713 |
| Examiner Name | Tatyana Zalukaeva |
| Attorney Docket Number | 1217-040286 |

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☐ Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.101.**TOTAL AMOUNT OF PAYMENT** (\$)790.00**METHOD OF PAYMENT** (check all that apply)☒ Check ☐ Credit Card ☐ Money Order ☐ None ☐ Other (please identify): _____☒ Deposit Account Deposit Account Number: 23-0650 Deposit Account Name: _____

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|------------------|--------------|----------|--------------|----------|------------------|----------|----------------|
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| Utility | 300 | 150 | 500 | 250 | 200 | 100 | _____ |
| Design | 200 | 100 | 100 | 50 | 130 | 65 | _____ |
| Plant | 200 | 100 | 300 | 150 | 160 | 80 | _____ |
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2. EXCESS CLAIM FEES

| Fee Description | Small Entity | Fee (\$) | Fee (\$) |
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| Each independent claim over 3 or, for Reissues, each independent claim more than in the original patent | 200 | 100 | |
| Multiple dependent claims | 360 | 180 | |

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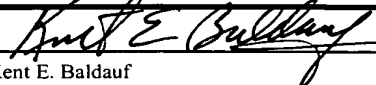
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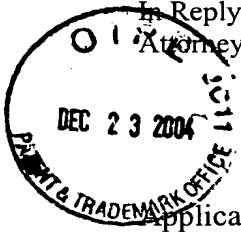
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AMENDMENT

Sir:

In response to the Communication of November 29, 2004, Applicants submit this Amendment together with a Request for Continued Examination (RCE).

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 3 of this paper.

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